



Invitation to Bid
University of Connecticut Health Center
Project #901820
Putnam Refectory Renovation Project

All **Bidders** are hereby invited to bid on the following packages for the Putnam Refectory Renovation Project (UConn Project #901820):

Description	DAS Prequalification Required **	Set Aside 30/10	Estimated Value *
02A - Demolition & Abatement	No	30/10	\$450,000
23A - Mechanical Demolition	No	Set Aside	\$47,000
26A - Electrical Demolition	No	Set Aside	\$45,000

* Value shown is an estimated value only and is not a guaranteed representation of the actual value of the scope.

** Scopes identified as "DAS Prequalification Required" must have DAS Prequalification as these scopes are estimated to exceed \$500,000. DAS Prequalification is required for all bids which exceed \$500,000 regardless of whether the scope is identified as such above.

Project Description: The Israel Putnam Refectory is a two story, 40,200SF kitchen and dining facility built in 1972. The renovation of the Putnam Refectory facility will expand the dining area, relocate the mail room, the building will be modernized with updated finishes, electrical, mechanical, and plumbing. Construction will be phased in the partially occupied building. The University of Connecticut will seek LEED Silver certification for this project. Renovations are anticipated to take place from May 2015 through August 2016. Total estimated value of the project is approximately \$14 million.

Bid Documents: Bid documents can be downloaded from <https://whiting-turner.box.com/PutnamRefectory-demolitionbid> and include the following:

1. Form of Proposal and Subcontract specific to the package breakout identified above.
2. Putnam Refectory Renovation Construction Documents, dated March 25, 2015 (Drawings & Specifications)
 - Drawings & Specifications may also be purchased (as a complete package) at cost to the bidder from:

ARC Document Solutions, Farmington, CT (860) 677-8817

Instructions to Bidders: Instructions to Bidders are located in Part One of the Construction Administration Handbook.

Pre-Bid Meeting: A pre-bid meeting will be held at 2:00PM on April 1, 2015 in the upper level Dining Hall at the Putnam Refectory.

Request for Information: All requests for information must be submitted electronically to jackie.quesada@whiting-turner.com by 5:00PM on April 7, 2015.

Bid Due Date & Bid Opening: All **sealed bids** are due at **3:00PM on April 17, 2015**. Late bids will be deemed non-responsive and returned unopened. Bid opening will be held immediately following bid submission at Whiting-Turner's Shelton Office, 2 Enterprise Drive, Suite 504, Shelton CT 06484. Please see the Instructions to Bidders in Part 1 of the Construction Administration Handbook for additional information regarding bid submission.

S/MBE Participation: Each Subcontractor will be expected to provide a minimum of 30% SBE and 10% MBE participation or be an S/MBE set aside package as indicated above. S/MBE companies must have current certification by the CT DAS.

WT, at the advice of UCONN, reserves the right to waive minor irregularities in bids.

The Business Resource Center (BRC) – <http://www.brcct.com> – provides access to professional consultation, resource materials, and, action-oriented training

Small and Minority Businesses (S/MBE) are encouraged to apply/bid. For additional information on certifying as an S/MBE in Connecticut, please visit the following link: <http://das.ct.gov/cr1.aspx?page=34>. S/MBE Contractors may find the following resources helpful:

(OSHA, certified payrolls, schedules, billings, estimating, etc.), in the skills/techniques needed to grow business in the Greater Hartford area. The BRC also operates a Minority Business Enterprise Assistance Program with focus on the development of minority construction firms in CT, including assistance with the capacity to qualify for bonding (bid, performance and payment). For additional information please contact Kim Hawkins, Director, Business Resource Center at (860) 527-1100 or email her at khawkins@brcct.com

The Hartford Economic Development Corporation & The Greater Hartford Business Development Center, Inc. (HEDCo & GHBCD) – <http://www.hedco-ghbdc.com> – HEDCo is a 501 (c 3) Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI) and a Small Business Administration Certified Micro Lender. The agency has been in operation since 1975 and serves the 169 cities and towns in Connecticut, especially small business within the City of Hartford, to help them develop business plans, acquire financing and achieve sustained successful growth.

ACCION – <http://accioneast.org> or (866) 245-0783 – Accion East and Online is a nonprofit organization provides small businesses with microloans and financial education since 1991.

Greater New England Minority Supplier Development Council (GNEMSDC) – Provides technical assistance and managerial support for minority contractors that are seeking support. For more information, please contact Andres Lopez Director of State Programs at (203) 288-9744, alopez@gnemsd.org